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1. GERMAN MAGAZINE SPIEGEL CARRIED STORY ATTRIBUTED WARTIME GERMAN OFFICIAL MAX MERTEN IN SALONIKA ALLEGING COLLABORATION BY AND PAYOFF IN JEWISH PROPERTY TO KARAMANLIS, INTERIOR MINISTER MAKRIS AND MAKRIS WIFE DOXOULA LEONTIDU (MERTEN SECRETARY). ALL GREECE IN CHARACTERISTIC FUROR OVER THIS ISSUE.

2. [Greek Official-1] TOLD [USG] 30 SEPT THAT HE SUSPECTED THIS OPENING MOVE IN CAMPAIGN UPSET GOVT. STATED THAT DURING PARIS VISIT FRENCH WARNED HIM THAT THEY HAD SOME INDICATIONS COMMUNISTS HAD PICKED SEPT FOR CONCERTED MOVES. STATED THAT FRENCH HAD SHOWN HIM LETTER FROM GREEK COMMUNIST FRONT EDA TO FRENCH CP WHICH CARRIED FRENCH NOTATION QUOTE NOT NOW. SEPTEMBER. UNQUOTE.

3. THRU GERMAN STATION WE TRYING DEVELOP LEADS IN ORDER DEMONSTRATE TOUCHY WILLINGNESS HELP [Greek Official-1] REALIZE TENCH PROBLEM CONCERNING [Greek Official-1] DISCUSSIONS WITH FRENCH BUT WONDER WHETHER THERE POSSIBILITY DISCREET PROBING WITH LIAISON OR OTHERWISE TO DEVELOP FURTHER INFO FROM [] ON GREEK OPPOSITION PLANS.

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